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*GS heads west to take on Aggies on Oct. 22*



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### Game #7 - New Mexico State

Oct. 22 | 8 p.m. | Aggie Memorial Stadium | Las Cruces, NM

### General Information

School: New Mexico State University

Location: Las Cruces, NM

Enrollment: 16,428

Founded: 1888

Nickname: Aggies

Colors: Crimson and White

Head Coach: Doug Martin (7-29, 4 years)

Stadium: Aggie Memorial Stadium (30,343)

Conference: Sun Belt  
President: Dr. Garrey Carruthers  
Athletics Director: Mario Moccia  
Athletics Dept. Phone: (575) 646-4126  
2015 Record: 3-9 (3-5)

Tickets: Help represent the Eagles while they are on the road. Get your away game tickets by visiting [GSEagles.com/Tickets](http://GSEagles.com/Tickets) or by calling 1(800)-GSU-WINS! Current donors and season holders have until Aug. 1 to purchase away game tickets to be allocated with their priority points from the Athletic Foundation! All other tickets will be allocated starting Aug. 15.

### **2016 Schedule**

9/3/2016 - at UTEP  
9/10/2016 - vs. New Mexico  
9/17/2016 - at Kentucky  
9/24/2016 - at Troy  
10/1/2016 - at UL Lafayette  
10/15/2016 - at Idaho  
10/22/2016 - vs. Georgia Southern  
11/29/2016 - at Texas A&M  
11/12/2016 - at Arkansas State  
11/19/2016 - vs. Texas State  
11/26/2016 - vs. Appalachian State  
12/3/2016 - at South Alabama

### **2015 Results**

9/5/2015 - at Florida, L 13-61  
9/12/2015 - vs. Georgia State, L 32-34  
9/19/2015 - vs. UTEP, L 47-50 OT  
10/3/2015 - at New Mexico, L 29-38  
10/10/2015 - at Ole Miss, L 3-52  
10/17/2015 - at Georgia Southern, L 26-56  
10/24/2015 - vs. Troy, L 7-52  
10/31/2015 - vs. Idaho, W 55-48  
11/7/2015 - at Texas State, W 31-21  
11/21/2015 - at UL Lafayette, W 37-24  
11/28/2015 - vs. Arkansas State, L 28-52  
12/5/2015 - at UL Monroe, L 35-42

### **Top Players Returning**

New Mexico State returns 38 lettermen in 2016, including one of the top rushers in the Sun Belt. Junior running back Larry Rose III (12 GP, 240-1714 yds, 6.9 avg, 14 TDs) led the Sun Belt in rushing yards in 2015. Rose also finished third on the team in receptions (30-283 yds, 9.4 avg, 2 TDs), but he was only fifth in receiving yards. With the early departure of the Aggies' leading receiver last year, junior wide receiver Tyrian Taylor (12

GP, 39-543 yds, 17.7 avg, 4 TDs) will have to step up as the primary target. Taylor finished second in receptions and receiving yards for the team. NMSU returns its top four tacklers from last season, with junior linebacker Derek Ibekwe (12 GP, 92 total tackles, 1 FF), junior cornerback Jacob Nwangwa (12 GP, 85 total tackles, 3 INTs, 1 FF, 1 FR), and sophomore cornerback Terrill Hanks (12 GP, 81 total tackles, 3 INTs, 1 FF, 1 FR) all breaking 80 tackles. Taylor and Nwangwa led the team in interceptions, with Nwangwa taking one interception for a 41-yard touchdown.

### **Series History**

Georgia Southern leads the series 2-0. Last played, GS won 56-26 in Paulson Stadium in 2015.

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